

Flagstaff Regional Plan 2030 Goals and Policies for Picture Canyon

Goal E&C.6. Protect, restore and improve ecosystem health and maintain native plant and animal community diversity across all land ownerships in the Flagstaff region.

Policy E&C.6.3. Promote protection, conservation, and ecological restoration of the region's diverse ecosystem types and associated animals.

Policy E&C.6.5. Preserve Flagstaff's wetland areas and discourage inappropriate development that may adversely affect them and the ecosystem services they provide.

Goal E&C.7. Give special consideration to environmentally sensitive lands in the development design and review process.

Policy E&C.7.1. Design development proposals and other land management activities to minimize the alteration of natural landforms and maximize conservation of distinctive natural features.

Policy E&C.7.2. Favor the use of available mechanisms at the City and County level for the preservation of environmentally sensitive lands, including but not limited to public acquisition, conservation easements, transfer of development rights, or clustered development with open space designations.

Goal OS.1. The region has a system of open lands, such as undeveloped natural areas, wildlife corridors and habitat areas, trails, access to public lands, and greenways to support the natural environment that sustains our quality of life, cultural heritage, and ecosystem health.

Policy OS.1.2. While observing private property rights, preserve natural resources and priority open lands, under the general guidance of the Flagstaff Area Open Space and Greenways Plan and the Natural Environment maps.

Policy OS.1.3. Use open spaces as natural environment buffer zones to protect scenic views and cultural resources, separate disparate uses, and separate private development from public lands, scenic byways, and wildlife habitats.

Goal WR.5. Manage watersheds and stormwater to address flooding concerns, water quality, environmental protections, and rainwater harvesting.

Policy WR.5.1. Preserve and restore existing natural watercourse corridors, including the 100-year floodplain, escarpments, wildlife corridors, natural vegetation and other natural features using methods that result in a clear legal obligation to preserve corridors in perpetuity, where feasible.

Policy WR.5.2. Incorporate pedestrian access, trails, and watchable wildlife opportunities into natural watercourse when practical.

Goal CC.1. Reflect and respect the region's natural setting and dramatic views in the built environment.

Policy CC.1.1. Preserve the natural character of the region through planning and design to maintain views of significant landmarks, sloping landforms, rock outcroppings, water courses, floodplains, and meadows, and conserve stand of ponderosa pine.

Goal CC.2. Preserve, restore, and rehabilitate heritage resources to better appreciate our culture.

Policy CC.2.1. Actively locate, identify, interpret, and preserve historical, archaeological, and cultural resources, in cooperation with other agencies and non-governmental organizations, as aspects of our society for future generations to retain, understand, and enjoy their cultural identity.

Policy CC.2.2. Formally recognize heritage resources through designation as local landmarks and historic districts.

Goal REC.1. Maintain and grow the region's healthy system of convenient and accessible parks, recreation facilities, and trails.

Policy Rec.1.1. Integrate active and passive recreational site within walking distance throughout the region to promote a healthy community for all City and County residents and visitors.